

# FRANCIS COPPOLA

DIAMOND COLLECTION®

*"We truly aspire to the highest quality in all we do, and nothing is more important to these goals than what we do in the wine industry. Our winemaker, Corey Beck, is the magician presiding over the great Francis Ford Coppola wines in Sonoma County."*

—Francis Ford Coppola

## FRANCIS COPPOLA DIAMOND COLLECTION 2009 SYRAH-SHIRAZ

The Francis Coppola Diamond Collection began in 1996 as an ambitious endeavor to make wines of character and complexity at an affordable price. Sourced from California vineyards that not only have proven track records but are also managed according to our rigorous standards, Diamond Collection wines are classic California expressions that offer fruit-forward, multi-dimensional flavor and immediate drinkability. Our illustrious lineup includes twelve single-varietal wines, plus our flagship proprietary blends. These wines are a true labor of love – we invite you to share them with us.

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Our unique Syrah-Shiraz is sourced from three specific vineyards in the central coast and blended with small amounts of Petite Sirah so that it's extremely dark and lush.

From San Lucas, we get extremely supple fruit that undergoes a particularly long ripening period due to sloping southeastern vineyards, which otherwise experience fewer hours of intense daily sunlight. This fruit contributes a high level of concentration and intense blackberry aromas. The grapes harvested from Monterey County provide red raspberry flavors and a velvety texture. We also add Petite Sirah from Hames Valley for heightened depth and structure.

2009 was an excellent vintage that featured warm, constant weather all the way through autumn, which allowed us to be highly selective and pick the very best fruit only when completely ripe. Richly textured and extremely aromatic, our Syrah-Shiraz offers bright, spicy fruit, supple tannins and many intriguing nuances.

### TASTING PROFILE

*Appearance* Deep garnet  
*Aromas* Plums, raspberries, minerals and dried leaves  
*Flavors* Crushed berries, cherries, cloves and cedar



Corey Beck, Winemaker



*Appellation* California  
*Blend* 80% Syrah,  
20% Petite Sirah  
*Alcohol* 13.5%  
*Total Acid* .59g/100ml  
*pH* 3.73  
*Barrel Regimen* 12 months French oak  
*Released* January 2011  
*Suggested Retail* \$16.00

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